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Boston Sept 30th 1847

My dear Sir,

I write hastily to acknowledge all the kindness of your last letter, to thank you most warmly for your letter to the Sec of the Unitarian association, which we have circulated to most excellent effect, & to beg of you the favour of a short article for the Liberty Bell. It will add

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greatly to the value
of this little book if
it contains such an
article.

Mr. Garrison whose
health has been severely
tried, & we fear, his life
also, by his labours at the
West, is, I thank God,
so much better, that
our worst fears are relieved

Douglass's mind varies
as to course he shall pur-
sue. It is now his purpose
to publish a paper at

the West. I regret it
for his own sake. The rea-
sons against it are both
moral & pecuniary. But
we shall hope the best &
save him all the ill-
consequences we possibly
can. Perhaps there may
be a state of things at
the West which makes the
plan advisable, of which I
am not aware, but they
must be great advantages
which can counterbalance
what I cannot but

dread for any individual standing alone to stem such a rushing tide as pro-slavery at the West.

With cordial & grateful regards to your daughter, I am, dear Sir,

Yours most sincerely & respectfully

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